CASTELAR ON CANOVAS.

AN ESTIMATE OF THE DEAD STATES-MAN BY HIS POLITICAL OPPONENT.

professor's chair. This was threatened by formidable enemies, in his last turbulent government, but was preserved completely. He needed
a sure head and a firm will, surrounded as he
was by sectarians who would rather have had
him open a tavern or a gaming-house than a
church or a Protestant school, to recognize the
right of a professor in Barcelona or Salamanca—the one anathematized by his Bishop,
the other dismissed by his rector—to think and
teach according to his beliefs, in harmony with
the decrees initiated by the creative revolution
of September and established in the hope of the
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Cánovas did this, not from mere arbitrary caprice, but with the most honorable conviction determining the complex acts of the last period of his life and the final phase of his beliefs.

The Conservative party has its centre known to all; its left, whose limits are marked by the Revolutionists; and its right, whose limits are marked, of necessity, by the Carlists. Cánovas maintained the equilibrium between all these contrary forces, the concord between all these discordant spirits; but he inclined to the left to sustain with it the principles of the Consiltation of '79, introduced, after great efforts, by a triumph worthy of our democracy. A recent example will demonstrate this assertion in the clearest manner.

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There has been organized an enormous Council of Public Instruction, in which, by an absurdity very frequent in our learned corporations, old principles called in our current speech regressive, predominate over those luminous and progressive principles which, sooner or later, will be given practical form and embedded in our laws. This council voted a dictamen relative to the normal schools, contrary to every element of democratic principles, and to the pure liberty of conscience guaranteed by the declaration that all Spanlards should have a voice regarding public officers, whatever their religious heliefs might be—a declaration which lessened the force of the religious Intolerance involved in the old principle of Catholic unity. The Minister of Justice did not give his assent to this vote. He withheld it because he was obliged to yield before the opposition of Canovas, which was based on scrupulous respect to the democratic laws in force over our free and progressive society.

Could the policy of the martyr whom we all lament be revealed with greater clearness?

CONVERTING SLUDGE INTO FUEL.

From The Pail Mall Gazette.

Workmen are now engaged at Rotherhithe in erecting machinery which, when he proper running order, is expected to revolutionize the methods of disposing of the more than two million tons of sindse that the main drainage committee of the County Council have to dispose of annually. Before three months have passed, the municipal authorities of most of the large towns in the United Kingdom, together with the experts on matters connected with sanitation, are to be invited to withest the "trial trip" of the machinery, and if the results of experiments already made on a comparatively small scale are borne out in the greater experiment that is to be made it is said that one of the greatest difficulties with which the authorities of most cities have to contend will disappear. Instead of a costly work, which it undoubtedly is at present, the doing away with the sludge will be converted into a profitable undertaking for the County Council.

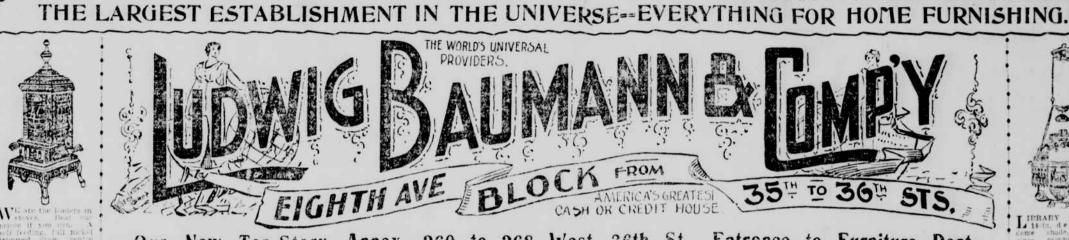
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Some years ago it was believed that the sludge of London possessed great value as a fertilizer, but those whose business it was to attend to its disposal found it quite impossible to get it taken up in sufficient quantities to be of any use to the County Council, and despite the enormous cost for steamers and their maintenance it was found that to take it out and dump it into the North Sea fifty miles from shore was in the end the least expensive and most expeditious method of getting rid of the refuse.

The London County Council maintains a fleet of as sludge vessels, each capable of carrying a load of close upon one thousand tons to sea. The total number of trips made by these steamers last year was 2176, and the cost of working the vessels came to more than 127.472. They are insured for 119.00, at an annual premium of 22.49. These expenses the new arrangement is expected to save, and at the same time the belief is that the County Council will be left in possession of an amount of fuel estimated at anything up to 760,000 tons per annum.

Leaving besten tracks, investigators have for small possession of the county council will comparatively moderate quantities, it is said, have left these interested to believe that all of the millions of tons annually dumped into the sea can be made, at virtually no cost, into good burning furnace fuel. When these experiments were completed those interested gave orders for the setting pleted those interested gave orders for the setting evaporated at one revolution of the big cylinders, evaporated at one revolution of the big cylinders.







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HE GOT THE PICTURES. From The Detroit Free Press.

"Just what I want," said Toker, as he entered the office and found an agent snowing a pair of betures to the clerks. "I rarely deal with agents but there's something I've been after for years. I bould think you'd have sense enough to

sing a song that tells the same story of the sea that the artist has told there. I've had my friends on the lookout for some time. Just leave them here and I'll have them sent up to the house later.'

But Toker is rather careless outside of his business, and his purchase was still in the office when he went home.

At the dinner-table Mrs. Toker was all smiles, and after keeping her secret just as long as she and after keeping her secret just as long as she could, said: 'I have a delightful surprise for you, Henry. I meant to say nothing about it till your birthday, but what's the use of deferring your pleasure? I've found and bought those pictures you've been wanting so bady,'

"What? I bought them this morning. You've simply thrown a large sum of money away for nothing. I should think you'd have sense enough to

